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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 4, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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